

Unified Regulatory Plan of the Cannabis Control Authority for State Fiscal Year 2023

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Description of Agency or Boards

The Virginia Cannabis Control Authority is responsible for the regulation of legal cannabis in the Commonwealth, including potential regulation of any future adult-use retail market created by the General Assembly and, starting in Fiscal Year 2024, regulatory oversight and control of the Commonwealth's existing medical cannabis program currently administered by the Virginia Board of Pharmacy. The Authority is an independent political subdivision of the Commonwealth, exclusive of the legislative, executive, or judicial branches of state government. A five-person Board of Directors guides and is ultimately responsible for the governance of the Authority. In the event the General Assembly creates an adult-use retail market, the CCA currently is empowered to prescribe and enforce regulations and conditions under which retail marijuana and retail marijuana products are possessed, sold, transported, distributed, and delivered.

Title of Proposed Regulatory Action or Guidance Document	
Guidance Document Regarding Safe and Compliant Home Cultivation of Cannabis	
Brief Overview Section 4.1-604(31) of the Code of Virginia states that the Board of Directors for the Cannabis Control Authority shall have the power and duty to develop and make available on its website guidance documents regarding compliance and safe practices for persons who cultivate marijuana at home for personal use. The guidance document prepared by the CCA will address the statutory requirements for cannabis plants cultivated in the home and suggest practices to promote personal and public safety.	
Regulatory Stage (check one box)	<input type="checkbox"/> NOIRA <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Final Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Fast-Track Rule
Additional Description	<input type="checkbox"/> Expedited Rule <input type="checkbox"/> Exempt Rule x Guidance Document
Legal Authority	<input type="checkbox"/> Action required by federal statute <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary action x Action required by state statute
Deregulatory Component	
Expected Date	October 2022

